

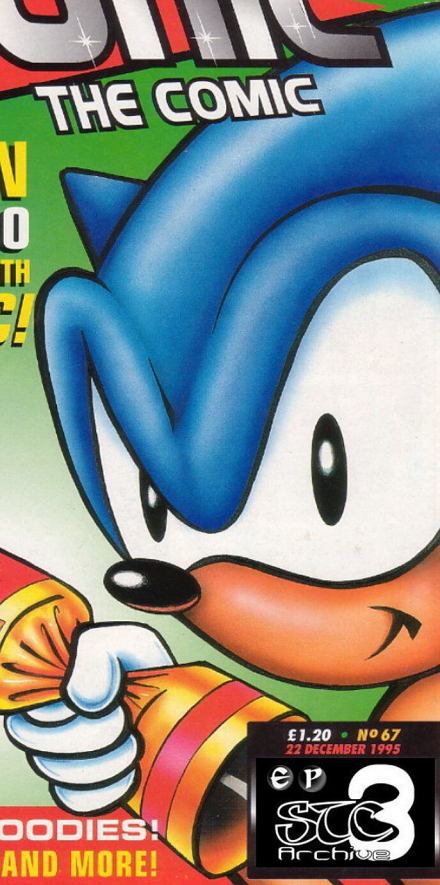
CHAOTIX INSIDE! NEW SONIC STORY



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GOVERNOR ZONE

Seasons Greetings, Boomers!

The countdown to Christmas starts here! I'm all dressed up and ready to party on down. The humes-who-think-they're-in-charge will turn green with envy when they see me jiggle to Jingle Bells - that's if they're not whooping it up already!

Yule have plenty of festive-filled pages to keep you entertained during this holly-day period. Not only is there Knuckle-dusting action in *The Homecoming*, but the Chaotix crew come face-to-face with Sonic. 'Tis the season of goodwill as the Cybernik lets Robotnik off the hook ... this time! Meanwhile, those mad Decap Attack-ers are guaranteed to drive you crackers!

Hoping to have Sega goodies in your stocking this Crimbo? Take my advice, butter-up those adult-humes and get them to enter STC's Coronation Street **Compo!** Plus, there's more to the Asteron Badnik Star Pin-up than meets the mince pies (eyes) see below ...

As '95 draws to a close, see the New Year in with STC 68 in the company of your fave Sega superstars. Bigger and better things await in '96, so watch out!

**HAVE A MERRY
SEGA CHRISTMAS!**

*Megadroid
& THE STC HUMES*

BADNIK TURNED GOODNIK!

Put this issue's Asteron Badnik to good use right now! Not only does it make a sparkling seasonal Pin-up but it can also spruce up your droopy-looking Christmas tree no end. With an adult-humes help at hand, here's how ...

- 1) Cut out the star-shaped Asteron.
- 2) Glue onto a piece of thin card.
- 3) Cut round outline of the shape.
- 4) Using a piece of string/wire,

attach the Asteron to your Crimbo tree.

- 5) Post a 24-hour guard round the tree - you know how dangerous these Badniks are!

STC's D.I.Y. decorations, it's easy when you know how!



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MEGA DRIVE

- 1 ● FIFA SOCCER '95
- 2 ● PGA TOUR GOLF 3
- 3 ● BRIAN LARA CRICKET
- 4 ● THEME PARK
- 5 RE MICKEY MANIA
- 6 ↑ CANNON FODDER
- 7 RE RUGBY WORLD CUP 1995
- 8 ↓ THE LION KING
- 9 ● STREET RACER
- 10 ● RISE OF THE ROBOTS

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- 1 RE GROUND ZERO TEXAS
- 2 ↑ SOULSTAR
- 3 ↑ FIFA INTERNATIONAL SOCCER
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- 7 ↓ BRUTAL: PAWS OF FURY
- 8 RE NOVA STORM
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- 10 RE EARTHWORM JIM

MASTER SYSTEM

- 1 ● MICKEY MOUSE 2
- 2 ● ROBOCOP V TERMINATOR
- 3 ● THE LION KING
- 4 ↑ DESERT STRIKE
- 5 ↑ STREETS OF RAGE
- 6 ↓ SONIC CHAOS
- 7 ↓ SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
- 8 RE SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2
- 9 RE JUNGLE BOOK
- 10 RE DRAGON: THE BRUCE LEE STORY

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- 2 ↑ FANTASTIC ADVENTURES OF DIZZY
- 3 ↑ STRIDER 2
- 4 RE REN AND STIMPY
- 5 ● DROPZONE
- 6 ↓ SONIC CHAOS
- 7 ↑ THE LION KING
- 8 ↑ SONIC DRIFT RACING
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- 10 RE MORTAL KOMBAT

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THE NEVER LAKE, ONE OF THE GREATEST BEAUTY SPOTS ON PLANET MOBIUS.

BEFORE DOCTOR ROBOTNIK CAME ALONG, THAT IS!



W... WHAT THE ...

THE MIRACLE PLANET HAS RETURNED!*

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

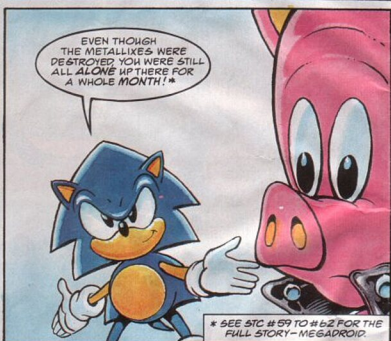
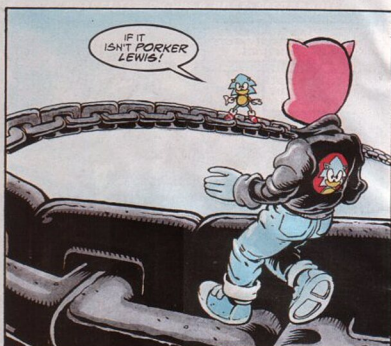
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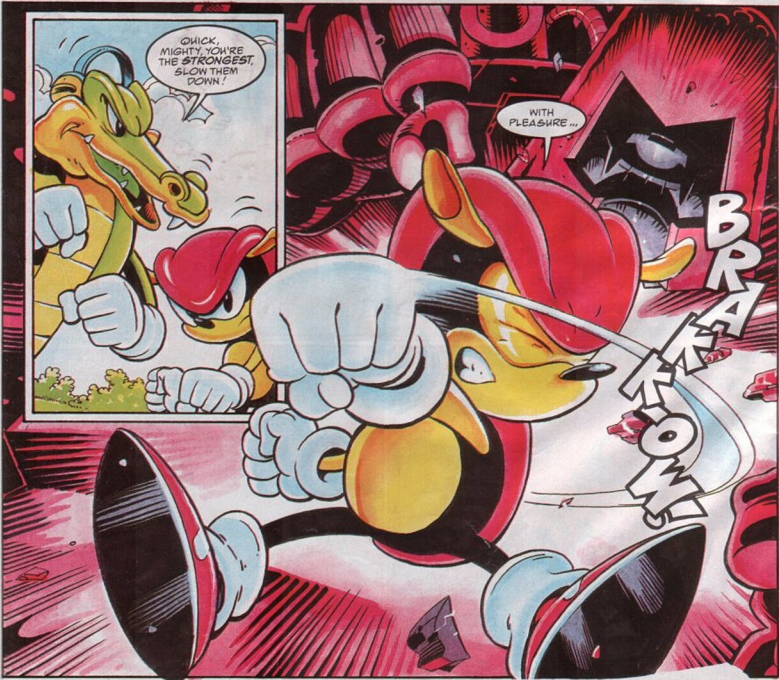
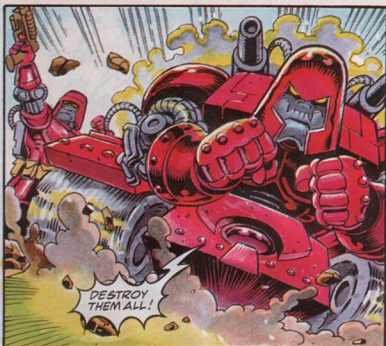
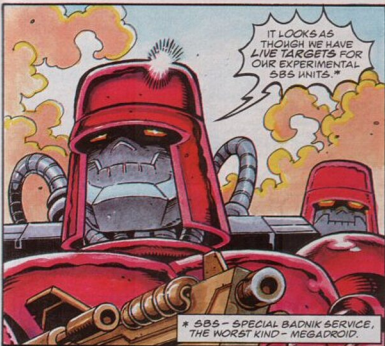
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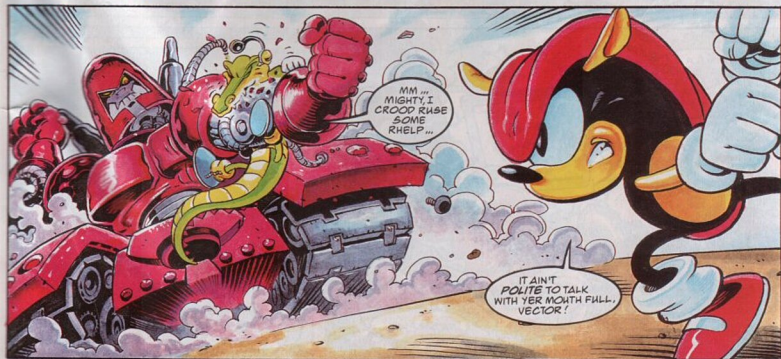
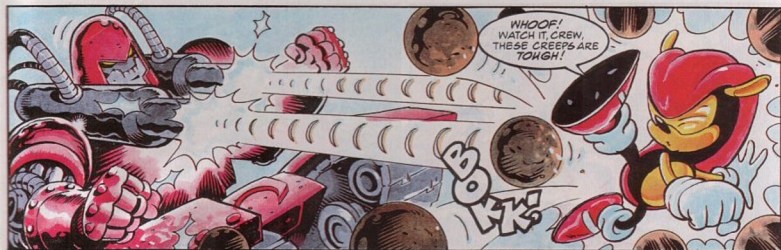
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NEW STORY

* THE MIRACLE PLANET RETURNS ONCE EVERY MONTH - MEGADROID.







BUT THE MIRACLE PLANET ISN'T
THE ONLY THING ENTERING
MOBIUS FROM ANOTHER
DIMENSION TODAY.

FAZZZZZZ

AT LAST, WE'RE HERE!

I'VE TRANSPORTED
YOU ALL SAFELY FROM THE
SPECIAL ZONE!

UMPH!

TALK
ABOUT A CRASH
LANDING!

DON'T BE
A GROWCH.
ESPIO, OMNI
DID A DANDY
JOB!

THAT'S EASY
FOR YOU TO SAY,
CHARMY, YOU CAN
FLY!

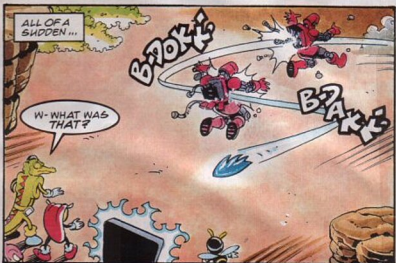
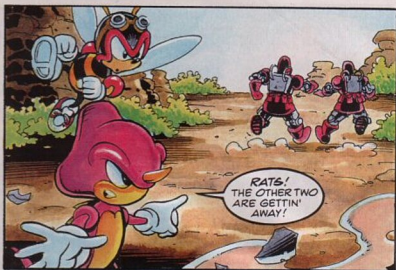
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CREW, LET'S TAKE
STOCK!

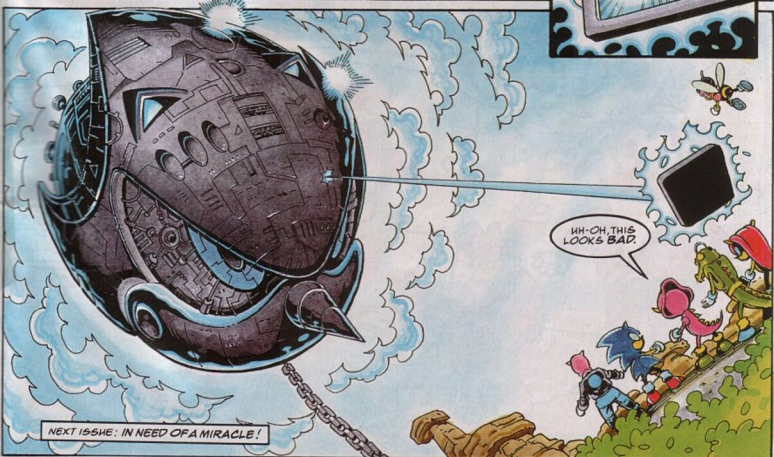
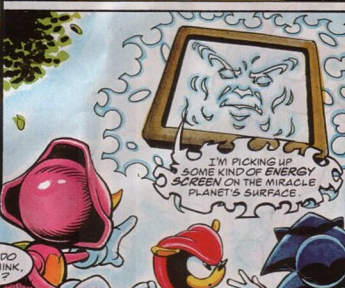
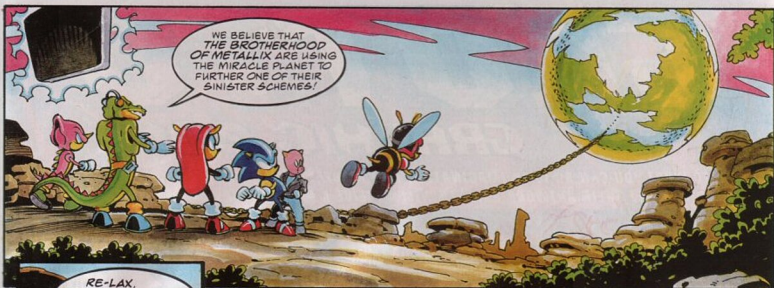
THIS LOOKS
LIKE MOBIUS
ALL RIGHT... SO FAR
EVERYTHING IS GOING
ACCORDING TO
PLAN!

IF THE IDEA
WAS TO GET US HERE
UNDETECTED, FORGET
IT, VECTOR!

OH,
POO!

CORRECT,
NUMBER 265, WE
HAVE INTRUDERS.





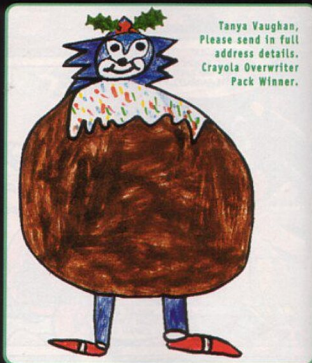
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MONSTER OF THE YEAR

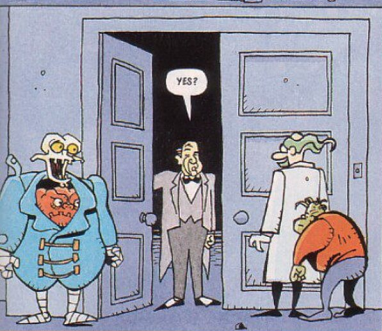
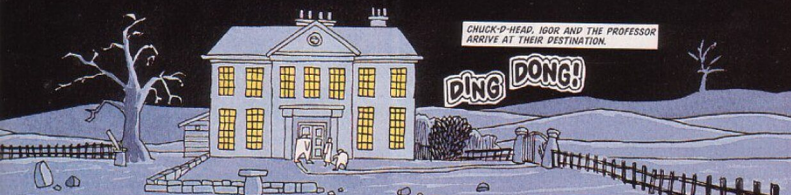
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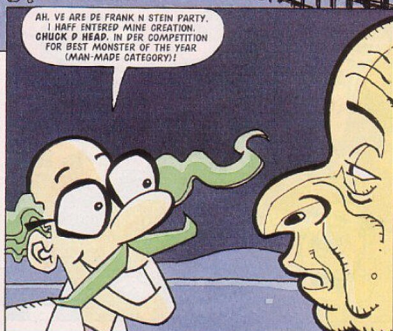
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CHUCK-D-HEAD, IGOR AND THE PROFESSOR
ARRIVE AT THEIR DESTINATION.

DING DONG!



YES?



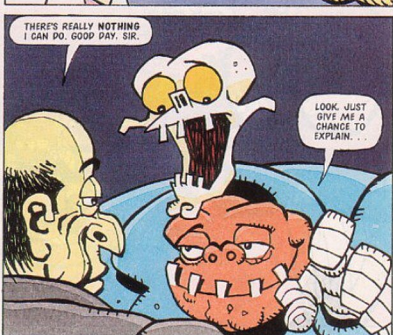
AH, WE ARE DE FRANK N STEIN PARTY.
I HAFF ENTERED MINE CREATION.
CHUCK D HEAD, IN DER COMPETITION
FOR BEST MONSTER OF THE YEAR
(MAN-MADE CATEGORY)!



SORRY, YOU'RE TOO LATE.
YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN
HERE OVER THREE HOURS AGO.

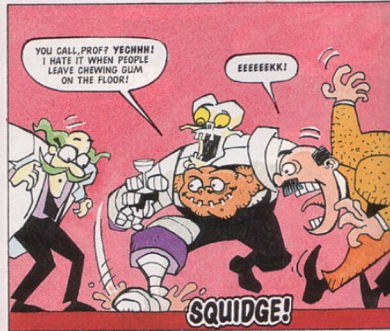
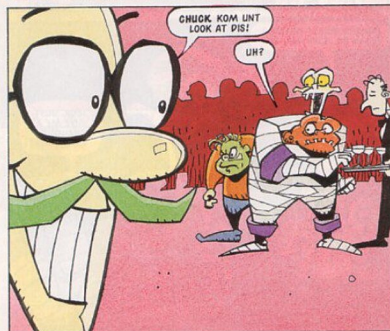
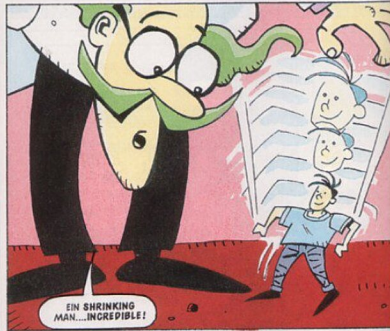
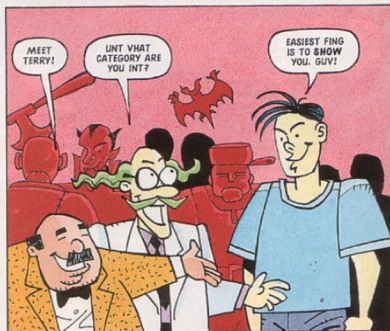
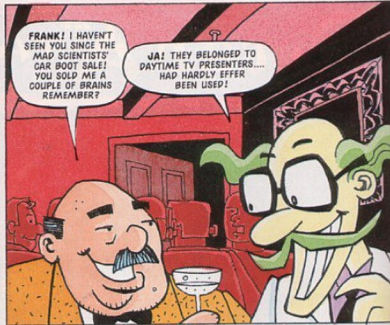
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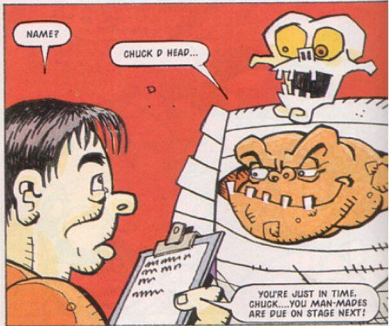
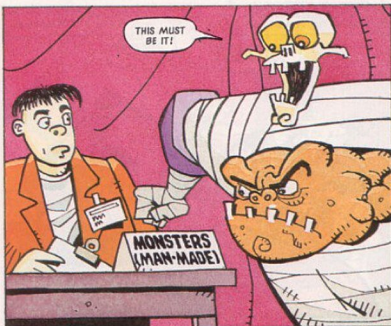
BUT IT'S NOT OUR
FAULT WE GOT THROWN
OFF THE TRAIN!

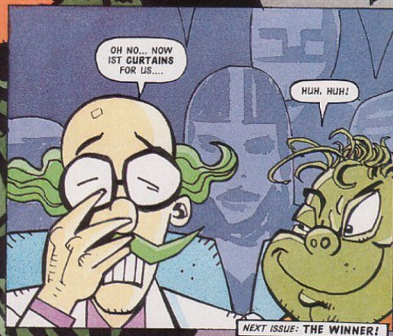
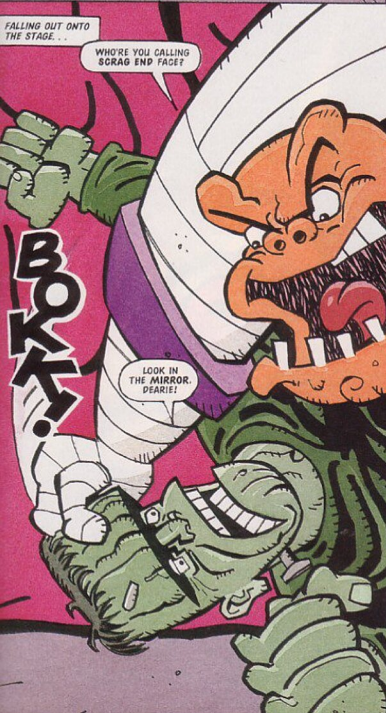
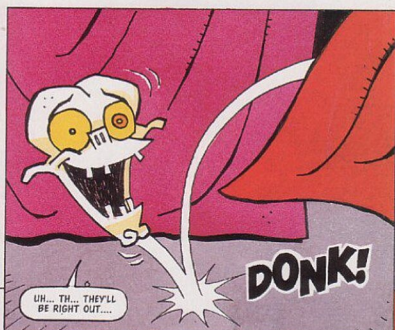


THERE'S REALLY NOTHING
I CAN DO. GOOD DAY, SIR.

LOOK, JUST
GIVE ME A
CHANCE TO
EXPLAIN...







NEXT ISSUE: THE WINNER!

KNUCKLES™

The Homecoming

Script: NIGEL KITCHING
Art: NIGEL DORRYN
Lettering: ELIYTA FELL

Part 1

ONE OF KNUCKLES' LOST PEOPLE, CALLING HIMSELF DOCTOR ECHARY, HAS RETURNED TO THE FLOATING ISLAND. UNFORTUNATELY, HE WAS HOTLY PURSUED BY A DEADLY ROBOT.

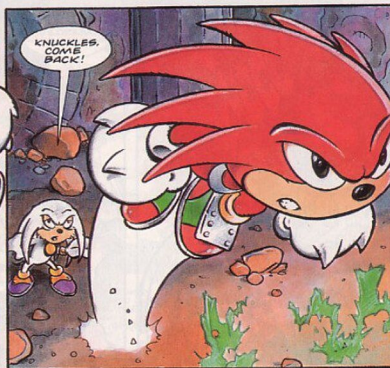
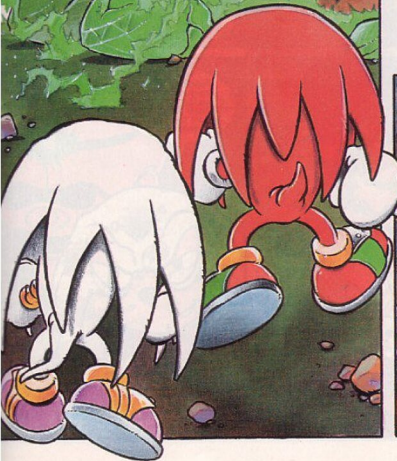
NOW, THE ROBOT HAS REAPPEARED IN THE VERY HEART OF THE FLOATING ISLAND... THE EMERALD CHAMBER!

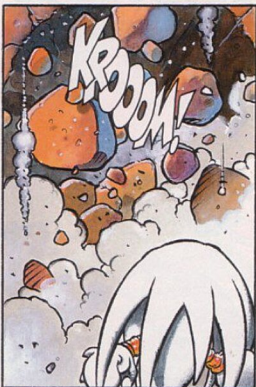
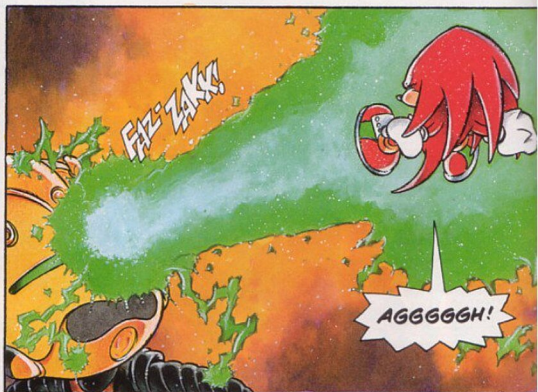
NOOOO!
HE'S DESTROYED
THE MASTER
EMERALD!

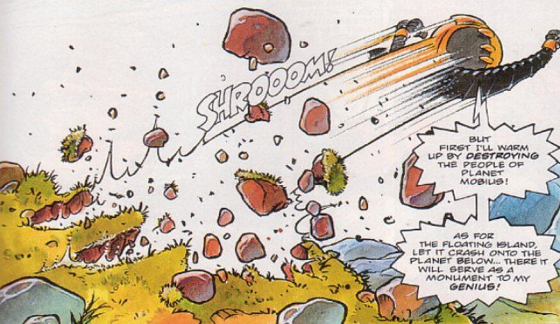
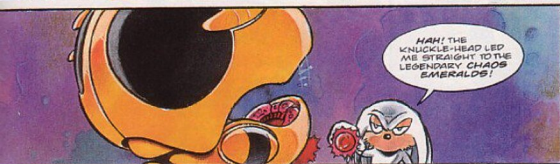


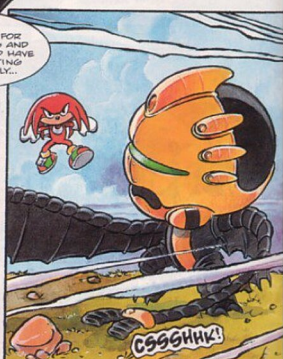
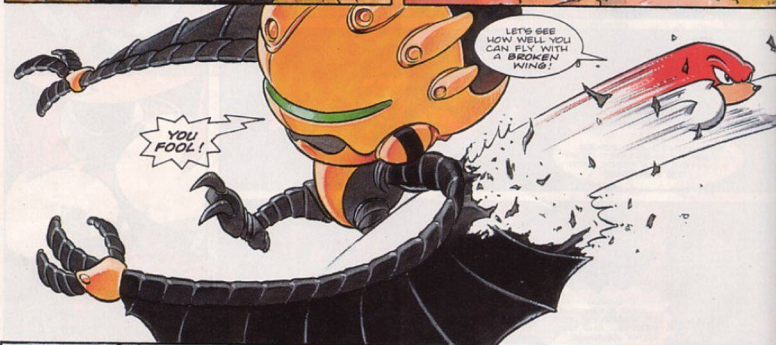
HE'S
ABSORBING THE
POWER OF THE OTHER
EMERALDS!

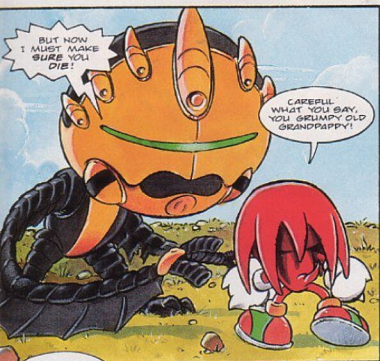
I'VE GOT TO
STOP HIM! WITHOUT THE
EMERALD POWER THE FLOATING
ISLAND WILL COME CRASHING
DOWN ON MOBIUS!











REVIEW ZONE

YOUR GUIDE TO NEW GAMES RELEASES FOR THE SEGA SYSTEMS

STC'S RATING SYSTEM

UNDER 40 = YAWNSVILLE

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70-80 = FUN CITY

80-90 = BIG TIME CITY

OVER 90 = MEGA CITY

WATERWORLD

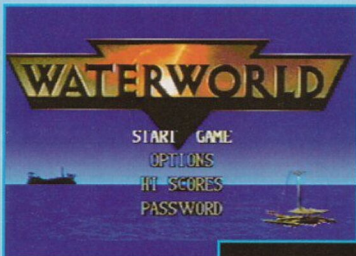
PRE-RELEASE VERSION

Reviewed by Neil Bryant.



GAME TYPE: ACTION ADVENTURE
PLAYERS: 1

PUBLISHER: OCEAN
PRICE: £44.99



Emerging from the depths of Ocean software's new releases comes **Waterworld**. Based on the blockbuster movie, the game version is set in the future when the Earth's ice caps have melted, leaving the planet's surface swamped underwater. Survivors make do by living on floating island villages called Atolls.

Your task is to guide the central character, known as Mariner, through various Atolls in search of a little girl called Enola, who holds the key to finding dry land.



In true swashbuckling tradition, there are baddies to contend with; in this case a rotter called Deacon and his evil henchmen, the Smokers.

Waterworld consists of three levels of difficulty with play ranging from 3-D isometric shoot



YOU REACH THE ATOLL,
BUT IT IS
UNDER ATTACK
FROM SMOKERS.

THE SMOKERS WANT SLAVES...



'em-up action and underwater platform adventure to head-to-head combat. Skilful steering also comes in handy when navigating Mariners sailing vessel (the Trimaran) through the choppy seas of Waterworld.

Since the name of the game is survival of the fittest, the more enemies you wipe out the more points you amass, which can then be traded in for ammo supplies. By rescuing slaves along the way, your generosity is awarded with a map which points to the direction of the next Atoll to be explored.



Although there are some great 3-D graphics, it's a struggle to see exactly what you are firing at, despite the tracking device which appears at the bottom of the screen. The sound effects use standard digitised gunfire/explosion noises, while the menu selection/options are pretty much par for the course.

As with so many 'movie spin-off' games, Waterworld falls short of expectations but has enough entertainment value to keep it afloat.



YOUR TRIMARAN
IS SMASHED
BEYOND REPAIR.

GAME OVER.
(CREDITS 3)
CONTINUE?

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FINAL COUNTDOWN

RAVES

3-D
isometric
graphics.



GRAPHICS 78

GRAVES

Too
predictable
in places.



SOUND 75

PLAYABILITY 78

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SONIC'S WORLD CYBERNIK STRIKES BACK

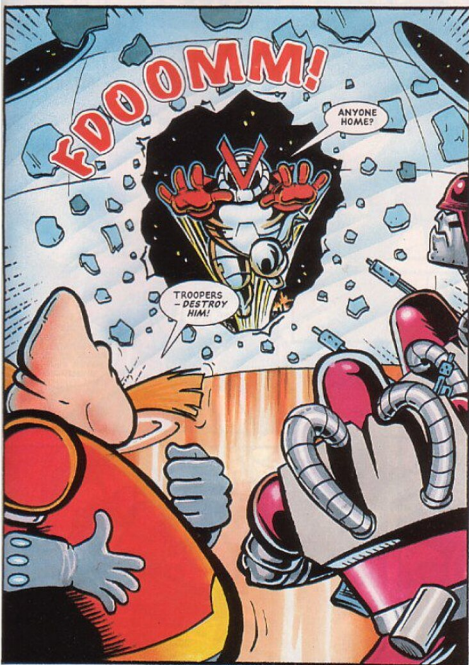
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HEROIC OUTLAW SHORTFUSE THE CYBERNIK IS WAGING AN ATTACK ON CITADEL ROBOTNIK TO FREE HIS FRIEND, TEKNO...

THE CYBERNIK HAS BLASTED THROUGH OUR DEFENCES, SIR!

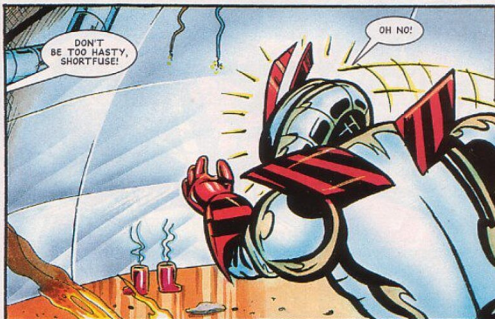
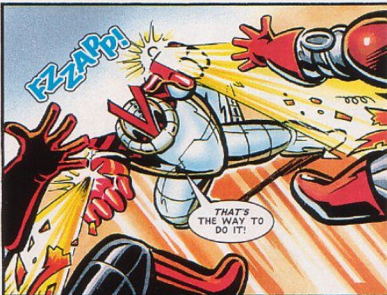
CURSE HIM! METAMORPHIA TOLD ME HE WAS DEAD!

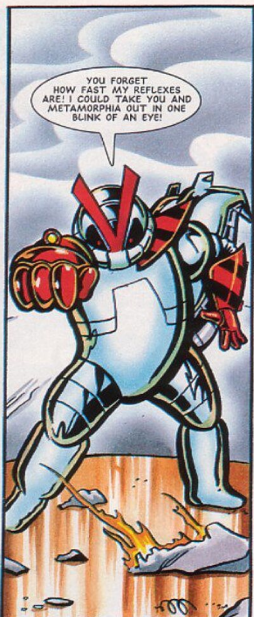
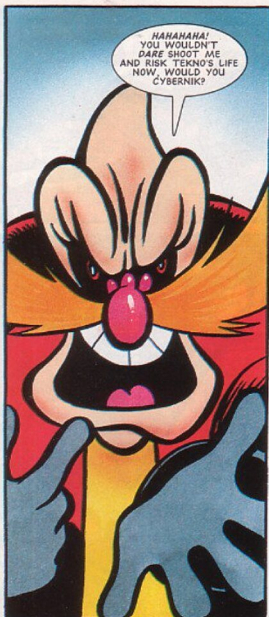
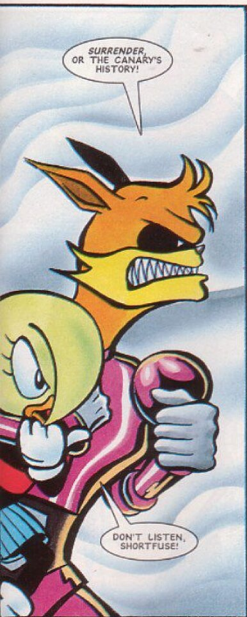


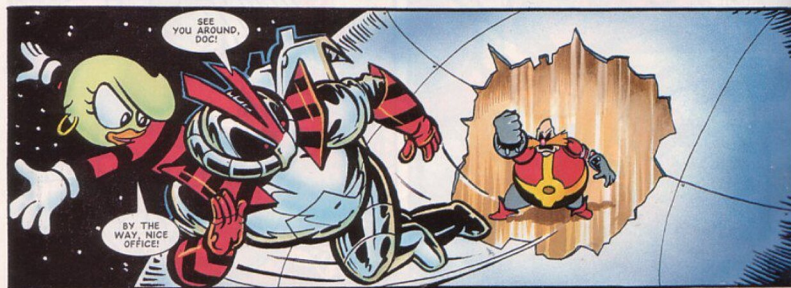
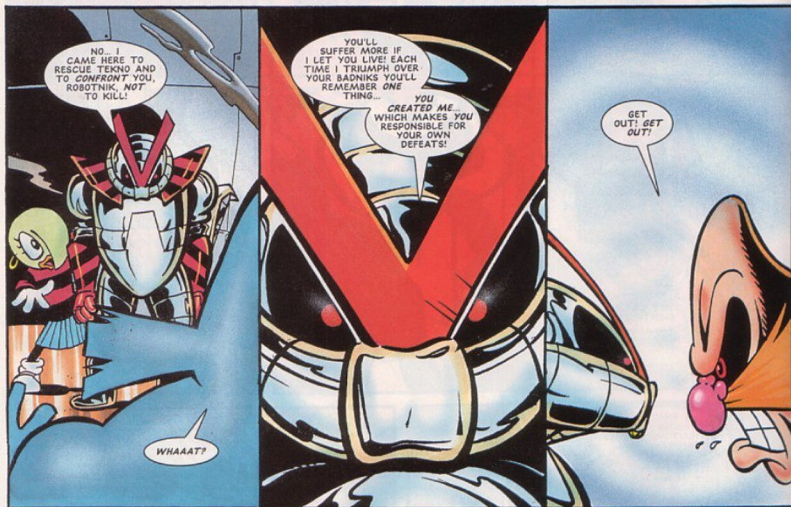
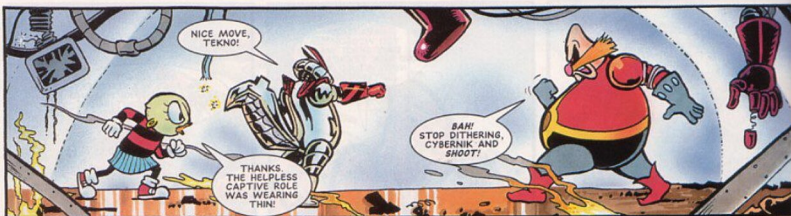
ANYONE HOME?

TROOPERS - DESTROY HIM!







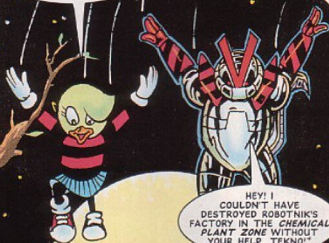




IF YOU
HADN'T TAKEN
MY POWERS AWAY I
COULD HAVE GONE
AFTER THEM
AND...

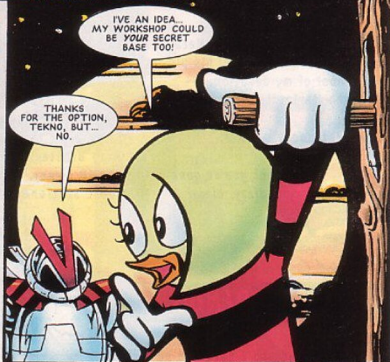
I'M NOT
LISTENING!

THANKS FOR
THE ESCORT BACK TO
MY SECRET WORKSHOP,
SHORTFUSE!



HEY! I
COULDN'T HAVE
DESTROYED ROBOTNIK'S
FACTORY IN THE CHEMICAL
PLANT ZONE WITHOUT
YOUR HELP, TEKNO!"

*SEE PART THREE - Megadroid.



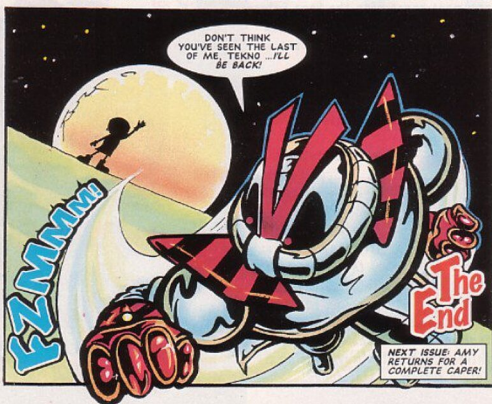
I'VE AN IDEA.
MY WORKSHOP COULD
BE YOUR SECRET
BASE TOO!

THANKS
FOR THE OPTION,
TEKNO, BUT...
NO.



IF I STAY
ON THE MOVE I'M
MORE OF A THREAT
TO ROBOTNIK!

YOU'D
BETTER FLY THEN,
SHORTY!



DON'T THINK
YOU'VE SEEN THE LAST
OF ME, TEKNO ...I'LL
BE BACK!

**The
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MISTLETOE FOR METAL?

Dear Megadroid,

I'm so smitten with Metallix that I've drawn a flame by his pin-up as a symbol of my devotion.

Elizabeth Hartzell, Gravesend, Kent.

Sonic Stationery Winner.

I think you've gone a bit dizzy, Lizzy!



GLAD TIDINGS

Dear STC,

My friend and I have had an argument concerning the Sega Saturn and the Sony Playstation. We know the Playstation is cheapest, but which is the best?



Chris Hawkes, Hornchurch, Essex.

Sonic Stationery Winner.

Here's the lowdown, Chris ... Sega have now slashed the price of the Saturn alone to £299 (same as the Playstation). However, unlike the Playstation the Saturn can also be purchased with games as a complete package for the old price of £399. Rumour has it that you'll also be able to surf the Internet and watch movies using a Saturn system ... stay tuned!



GOODWILL GESTURE

Dear STC,

I went to the comic convention on October 1st. Apart from having my copy of STC 1 signed by all the artists and writers I also got six drawings plus two signed scripts. I owe a big thank you to everyone!

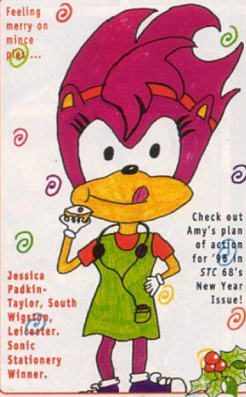
Mary Broster, Saxilay, Lincoln. GG/MD owner.

Sonic Stationery Winner.

So you were responsible for holding the queue up, eh, Mary? Watch out for the UKCAC Photo Zone special follow-up report!



Feeling merry on mince pies ...



Jessica Padkin-Taylor, South Wigston, Leicestershire. Sonic Stationery Winner.

Check out Amy's plan of action for '99 in STC 68's New Year Issue!

Christmas dinner!

Kirsty MacDonald, Curzon Park, Chester. Sonic Stationery Winner.



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